



Networking & Security
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- Mandatory: Section 6.2

Reading Assignment

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By the end of this section, you will be able to

1. List and explain the three types of threats
2. List and explain the two types of security mechanisms
3. Explain and contrast the two types of cryptosystems
4. List at list 4 components of a digital certificate
5. Explain how the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) work

Objectives

- You get a file attachment in a message, from which of the following people would should you accept it and why?



A total stranger



Someone you only know online



Your best friend (forever)



This guy!!!



JT: Test Of Your Security Savviness

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Disconnect your computer and all devices from the Internet

Leave them off all the time

Put your electronics in a vault



JT: How To Be 100% Virus Safe

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- You are never guaranteed to have 100% protection.
- What taking precautions (e.g., getting anti-virus software) provide is a *reduced* chance of an infection or other security-related problem.

JT: Lesson Learned

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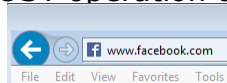
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- Recall that there are two web interactions previously covered:
 - GET: click on a link
 - POST: sending information on the web



- During a POST operation using regular web protocols:



...whatever information you post (information you have filled in) may be intercepted.

“Packet sniffing” (viewing contents):

<http://www.wikihow.com/Sniff-Packets>

JT: When A Threat Can Occur

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1. Interception

- an unauthorized party obtains access to messages, data, or services



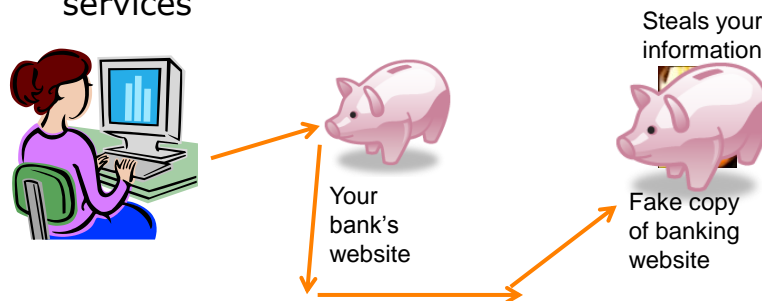
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2. Modification

- unauthorized change of messages, data, or services



JT: This is a change in a DNS service that redirects web requests

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3. Fabrication

- unauthorized creation of messages, data, or services
 - JT: Real or fake?

Dear Investor,

Your transaction confirmation for the TD Mutual Funds trade that you recently made has been posted to TD Canada Trust EasyWeb for viewing.

To view your confirmation and other account information, go to:

<https://easyweb.td.com>

Remember, you will need your



Dear Valued Customer,

TD Canada Trust reserves the right to deny access to your online banking account when we suspect your account might have been compromised.

You are receiving this message due to a security alert.

[Easyweb](#) to confirm your identity.

Online Service Team
TD Canada Trust

From: [Redacted]
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Japanese Sushi Documentary

<http://hk.youtube.com/watch?v=ruh0TJjopn8&feature=related>



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Important: Due to concerns, for the safety and integrity of your online banking account we have issued this warning message.

During our regularly scheduled account maintenance and verification procedures, we were unable to verify your account information. It has come to our attention that your account information needs to be updated as part of our continuing commitment to protect your account and to reduce the instance of fraud on our website. We demand that you take 5 minutes out of your online experience and renew your records to avoid running into any future problems with the online service. However, failure to update your records will result in your account suspension. Once you have updated your account records your internet banking service will not be interrupted and will continue as normal.

Verify Yourself: MailScanner has detected a possible fraud attempt from "e-autoparts4u.com" claiming to be <https://infinity.icicibank.co.in/loginrestore-session/server>

Sincerely
ICICI Bank Wealth Management.

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{Spam?} Urgent Response Required! Spam | X

★ ICICI BANK [show details](#) Apr 4 (1 day ago) [Reply](#)

Warning: This message may not be from whom it claims to be. Beware of following any links in it or of providing the sender with any personal information. [Learn more](#)

We Are Upgrading Our Servers So Verify Your Login Details.

Dear ICICI Bank Customer,


The internet has become widely accepted for banking online.

While we have taken all the possible measures to ensure security and confidentiality of our online banking systems, as we are providing you 128-SSL Secured Server which is highly protected to store your passwords.

Now we are updating our 128-SSL Secured Server to 256-Encrypted SSL Secured Server which is highly sophisticated server to maintain your personal information as our prior service to you.

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- 1. Encryption**
 - encode data and messages so that only intended parties can decode them
- 2. Authentication**
 - verify that the claimed identity by some party is authentic

 **Security Measures against Threats**

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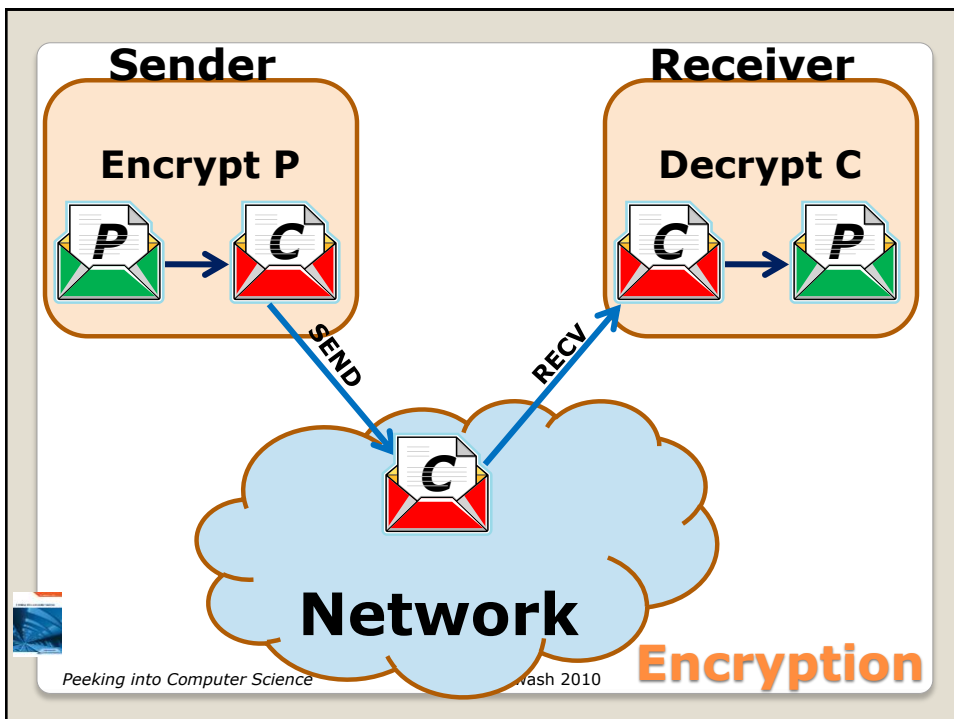
- 'Scrambling' information so it cannot be easily interpreted.
- Example:
 - Original message: MARY HAD A LITTLE LAMB
 - Encrypted message: LZQX GZC Z KHSSKD KZLA

JT: Encryption

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- Julius Caesar had a method to encrypt text
- ISHDTMOIWEDTAWI.

- ISHD
- TMOI
- WEDT
- AWI.
- The message: IT WAS ME WHO DID IT.



Julius Caesar

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- Plain text: **CPSC 203**
- Encryption: scramble the plain text
- Cipher text: **OS2PC3 C**



Naïve Encryption Example

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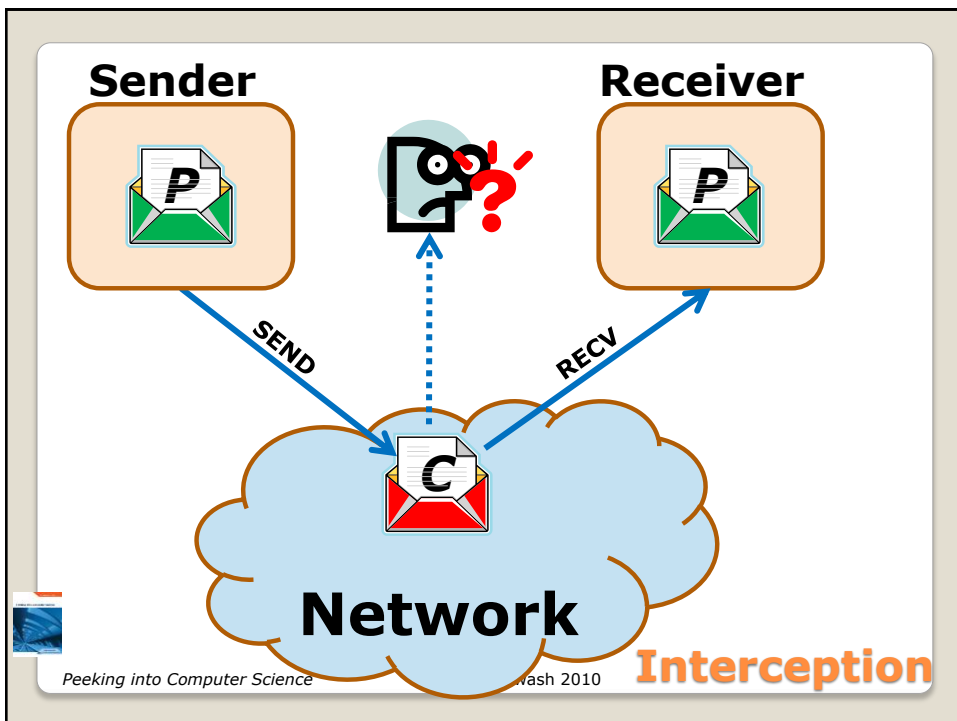
Plain text	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	C	P	S	C		2	0	3

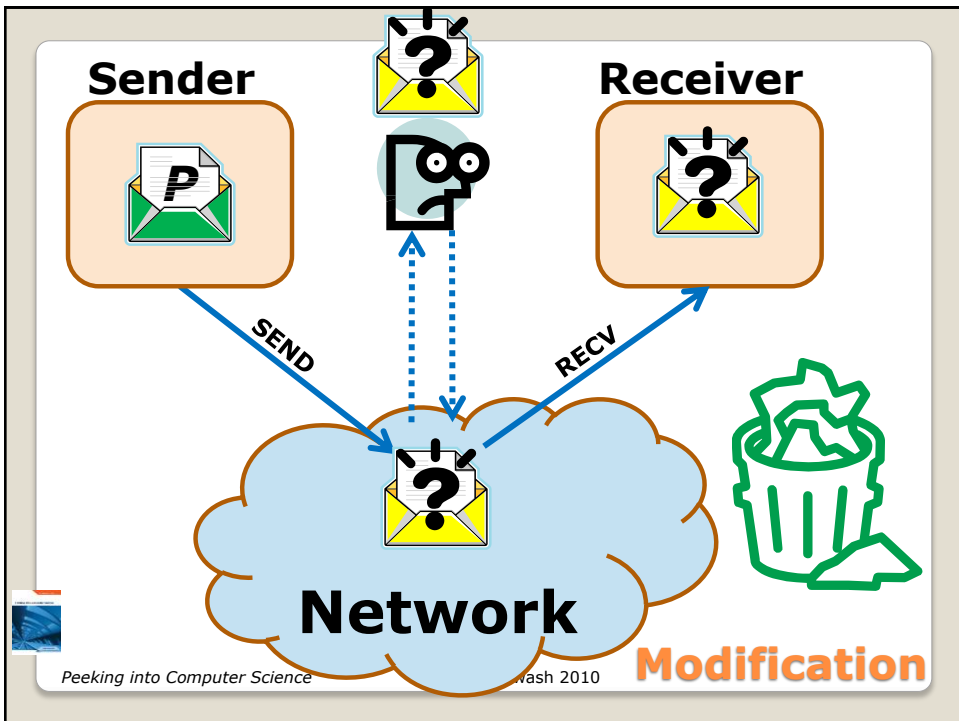
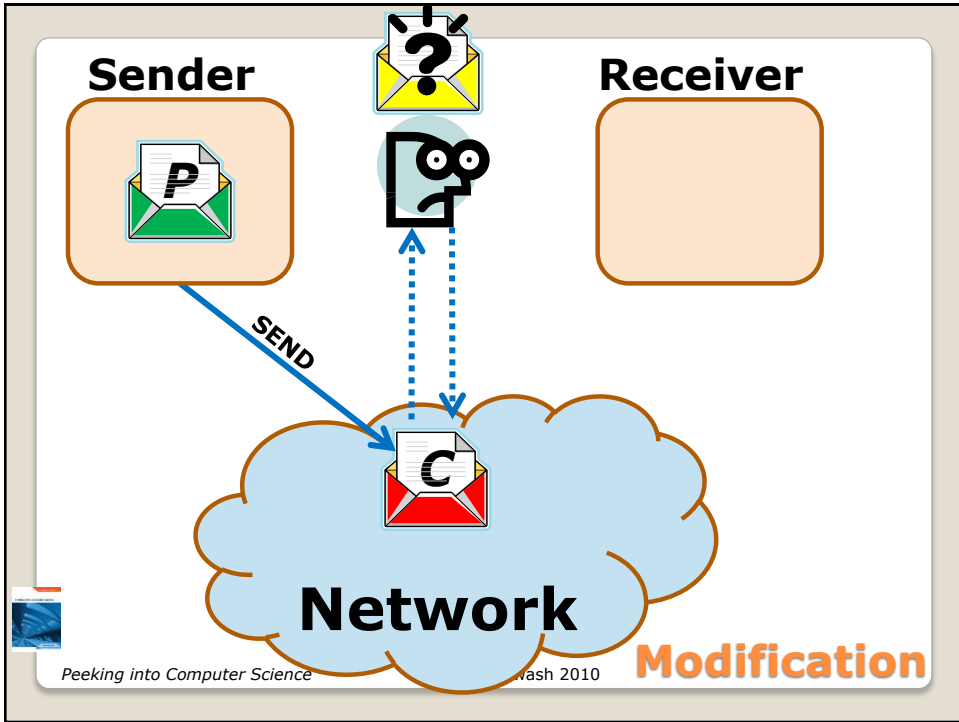
Permutation Key	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	7	3	6	2	1	8	5	4

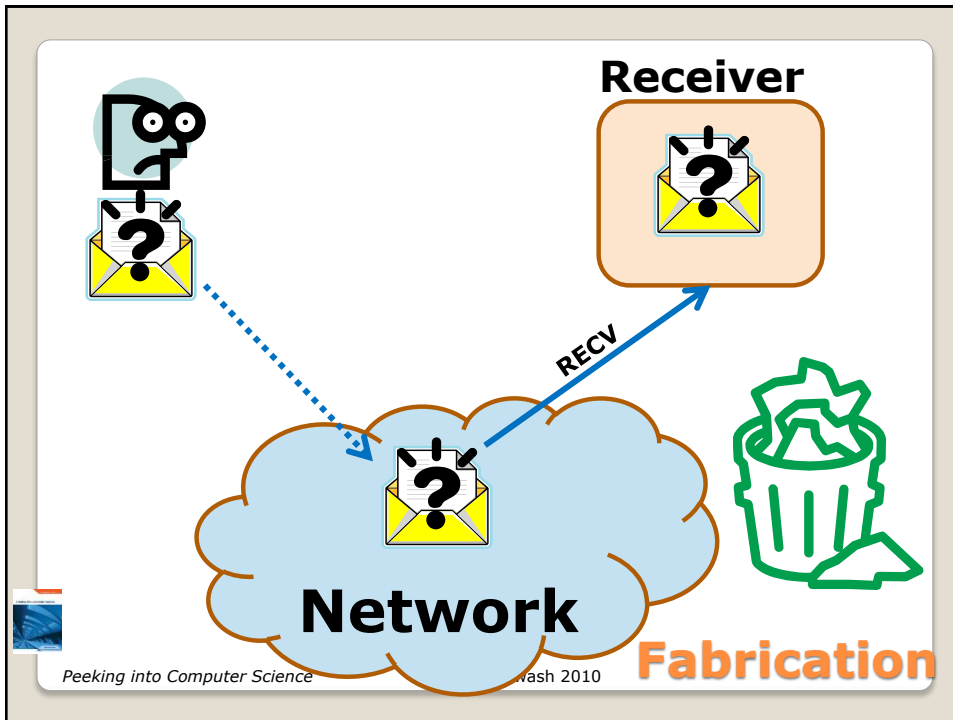
Cipher text	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	0	S	2	P	C	3		C

Naïve Encryption Example

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- Key must be **secretly** shared between sender and receiver
- This naïve approach can be **cracked**
 - Not good encryption algorithm
- In real life, encryption is done at the **bit-level**
- In real life, encryption algorithms are far **more complex** and are more difficult to crack

Notes

- Permutation keys just use different permutations (ordering) of existing characters.
 - Original message: Newton
 - Encrypted message: Notwen
- The number of possibilities is very limited making it easier to crack.

JT: Problem With Permutation Keys



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C = amd Not sure yet what the key is:
a couple more cipher texts,
it can be cracked

amd

adm 3! possibilities

mad 20! is

mda 2,432,902,008,176,640,000

dam

dma Even larger messages can be
cracked given enough resources



Why Permutation Keys are Bad

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- Encryption is used to secure information e.g., financial, national defense, intelligence.
- Sometimes to speed up the decryption process only valid combinations will be attempted.
- Previous example: AMD
- In English the only valid combinations that need be examined: MAD, DAM
 - At first 3! attempts needed, this gets reduced down to 2 attempts needed.

JT: The Number Of Guesses Can Be Reduced

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- More combinations means it's harder to guess
 - Either it takes longer to crack or if it's long and complex enough (with a good encryption algorithm) it will be practically impossible to try all combinations (sometimes tens of thousands of years).
- Guidelines for picking good passwords:
 - <http://www.ucalgary.ca/it/help/articles/security/awareness/passwords>

JT: Longer/Complex Passwords Are Better For A Reason

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1. **Symmetric** or shared-key
 - Sender and receiver use the same secret key
2. **Asymmetric** or public-key:
 - Each part has a pair of keys: public and private
 - Public keys are published
 - Private keys are kept secret



Types of cryptosystems

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- Many methods of communication are not secure!
 - E.g., Email, instant messaging, http
 - Third parties may view the contents
 - Administrators of the intermediate computers between the sender and transmitter who have the desire (and a bit of technical knowledge can view the information)



JWT: Why Bother?

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- Example communication (my office computer to Microsoft's Hotmail server)

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traceroute to www.hotmail.com (157.56.19.81), 30 hops max,
 1 fivegate.cs.ualgary.ca (136.159.5.1)  5.064 ms  5.037 ms
 2 * * *
 3 campus.cpsec.ualgary.ca (136.159.253.209)  52.418 ms  52.418 ms
 4 pci187.hidden.ualgary.ca (136.159.253.187)  6.783 ms  6.783 ms
 5 10.0.10.2 (10.0.10.2)  3.637 ms  4.420 ms  4.874 ms
 6 10.16.242.4 (10.16.242.4)  5.015 ms  1.502 ms  2.103 ms
 7 h66-244-233-17.bigpipeinc.com (66.244.233.17)  2.377 ms  2.377 ms
 8 h208-118-103-166.bigpipeinc.com (208.118.103.166)  2.211 ms  2.211 ms
 9 clgr2rtr2.canarie.ca (199.212.24.66)  1.801 ms  2.180 ms
10 vncv1rtr2.canarie.ca (199.212.24.1)  13.160 ms  13.557 ms
11 six1.microsoft.com (206.81.80.30)  16.657 ms  16.658 ms
12 xe-5-0-2-0.co2-96c-1a.ntwk.msn.net (207.46.44.15)  49.444 ms  49.444 ms
13 10.22.12.194 (10.22.12.194)  20.919 ms  20.509 ms  10.22.12.194

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JT: Why Bother?

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- There are two levels of security
- In the example that follows (securing the contents of a message):
 - The public key:
 - Anyone who wants to send the receiver a message can access it
 - Used to encrypt the data
 - It is sent along with the data
 - The private key
 - Only the receiver has a copy (should be kept inaccessible)
 - Decrypts the message for the receiver



JT: Public-Private Key Encryption

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- I have a collection of combination locks
- All are identical and can be unlocked by the same code
- I distribute the locks to my friends
- But I keep the code to myself (private)



Public-Key Cryptosystem Example

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- If Alice wants to send me a secure message
- She puts the message into a box
- Locks the box with my combination lock and sends it to me
- Who can open the box?



Public-Key Cryptosystem Example

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- The combination lock is the public-key
- The code to unlock it is the private-key



Public-Key Cryptosystem Example

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- My computer
 - It has a public key and a private key
 - The private key is retained on my computer
 - The public key is provided to any computer that needs to establish a secure connection with my computer.
 - Other computers can use that public key to encrypt messages sent to my computer.
 - Only my computer can use that private key to decrypt messages sent to it.



JT: Private-Public Keys In Practice

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- X's public key is denoted K_x^+
- X's private key is denoted K_x^-

- K_x^+ and K_x^- are reciprocal

- JT: Normally done this way

• Cipher text: $C = \text{Encrypt}(P, K_x^+)$

• Plaintext: $P = \text{Decrypt}(C, K_x^-)$

- JT: Normally NOT done this way (it's just included to be complete)

• Cipher text: $C = \text{Encrypt}(P, K_x^-)$

• Plaintext: $P = \text{Decrypt}(C, K_x^+)$

Sender

Receiver

Sender

Receiver



Public and private keys

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- Sender **S**, receiver **R**
- **S** sends **R** the secure message
 $C = \text{Encrypt}(P, K_R^+)$
- Only **R** knows K_R^- and can decrypt **C**
 $P = \text{Decrypt}(C, K_R^-)$



Asymmetric encryption

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- FYI: this has already been covered.
- In this case both the sender and the receiver share the same private key (encryption algorithm e.g., Caesar cipher shift alpha letter forward by one).



JT: Symmetric Encryption

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- There are many implementations
 - Some are free and work fairly well (pretty good level of privacy: PGP)
 - They can be used to encrypt many things e.g., email, files on your computer
 - Example: <http://www.pgpi.org/>



JT: Employing Private-Public Key Encryption On Your Computer

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- Encryption alone is not enough
- Need to verify claimed identity
 - JT: if a public key is used to encrypt a message and that public key can be accessed how can you tell if that message really came from a particular source?
- Authenticate that a certain Web site is what it claims to be
 - Phishing (fabrication threat)



Authentication

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- The message to be sent is still encrypted using the recipient computer's public key (and only the recipient computer's private key can decode it).
- To authenticate my computer (prove that the message was sent by me – recall any computer can send a message to someone with a private-public key combination)
 - More encryption must occur!



JT: Authentication In Practice

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- Step 1: Encrypt message (no one can read or modify the message)
 - My computer encrypts message using recipient computer's public key
- Step 2: Prove the message came from me (protect against phishing fabrication attempts)
 - My computer encrypts a digital signature using a private key
 - The recipient computer uses a corresponding public key to view the digital signature.

This is Tam's secret message

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JT: Authentication In Practice (2)

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- My computer is the only one can encrypt the digital signature with that private key
- Properly implemented digital signatures are more difficult to forge than a handwritten signature.



JT: Authentication In Practice (3)

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- **R** needs to authenticate **S**
 - **S** sends **R** message: **[P, ds]**
 - **ds** is a digital signature
- ds = Encrypt(S, K_S⁻)** JT: S = Proof of source
- If **Decrypt(ds, K_S⁺) == S**
 - **R** authenticates **S**

JT: Step 2 encrypt the digital signature using sender's private key (later the receiver will decrypt the signature using the sender's public key)



Asymmetric Authentication

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- The message **[S, ds]** is insecure
- **S** sends **Encrypt([S, ds], K_R⁺)**
 - Only **R** can decrypt the message
 - **R** can then authenticate **S**

JT: Step 1 encrypt the plain text message using receiver's public key (later the receiver will decrypt the message using the receiver's private key)



Asymmetric Authentication

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- Encryption must be used twice for:
 - The digital signature
 - The message to be sent

JT: Summary (Encrypting Message And Authenticating The Source)



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- To verify the source of a message
 - A digital signature is created from the document to be sent
 - The sender uses a private key to encrypt the digital signature
 - The receiver can use the sender's public key to de-encrypt the signature
 - The sender is the only one who has the private key



JT: Summary (Authenticating The Source)



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- To prevent unauthorized viewing/tampering of the message being sent encrypt it:
 - The sender uses the public key of the receiver
 - The receiver uses his/own private key to decrypt the message
 - The receiver is the only one with a copy of the private key



This is Tam's
secret
message



Vijt jt Ubn't
tfdsfu
nfttbhf

This is Tam's
secret
message

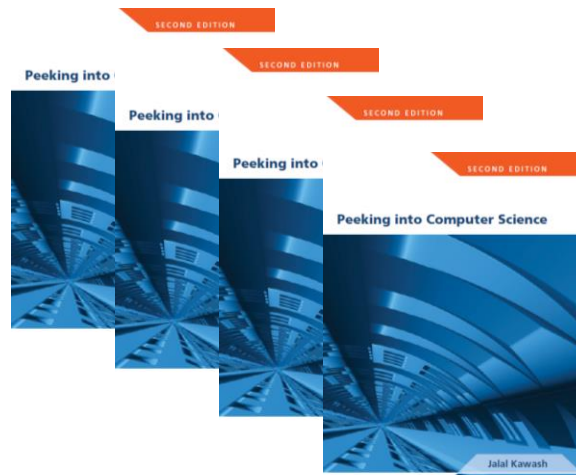
JT: Summary (Protecting The Message)



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The Secure Socket Layer

WWW's security

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- Special message sent from a server S to a client B (browser)
- Allows B to authenticate S
- Provided by certification authorities
 - For a fee



Digital Certificates

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- Includes:
 - S's public key K_S^+
 - S's identity (host name part of URL)
 - Expiration date for DC
 - Name of the CA
 - Serial number
 - Digital signature ds (JT: again it's generated via the sender's - in this case the website - private key)
 - $ds = \text{ENCRYPT}(S, K_{CA}^-)$
 - Other things

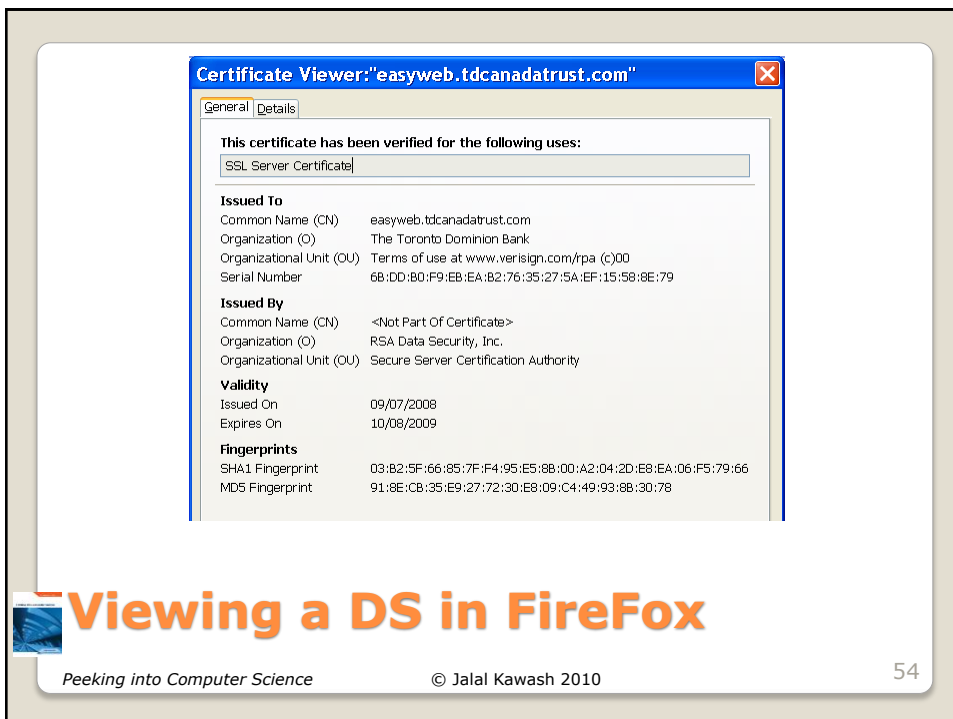
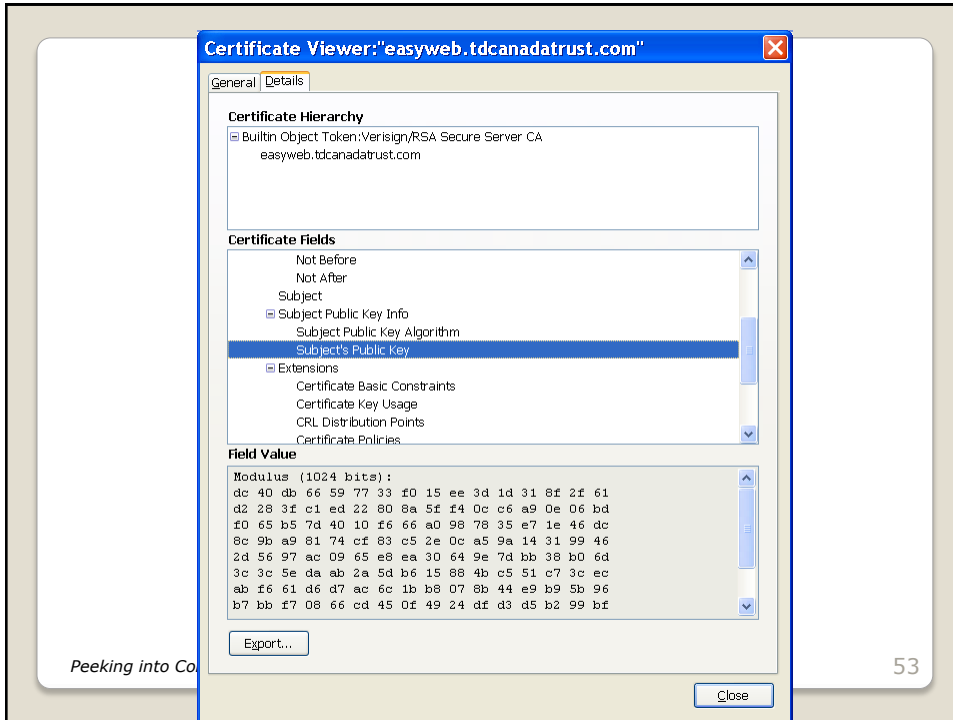


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- As mentioned they can be used to ensure that you are viewing the intended website.
 - You haven't been re-directed to another website by a malicious program)
 - You haven't mistakenly typed in the wrong URL.
 - Sometimes occurs when you try to get the "Canadian" version of a website
 - Instead of www.companyname.com
 - You type: www.companyname.ca

JT: Where Are Digital Certificates Used?

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- Ensuring that software comes from the intended source.
- Also it can be used that software has not been altered.
 - Example: the developer provides a free download but someone else has modified the program to include a malicious component.
 - How do you know if downloadable versions of familiar software is safe?
 - Example of digital certificates for programs (software developers)
 - <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/206637>

JT: Where Are Digital Certificates Used? (2)

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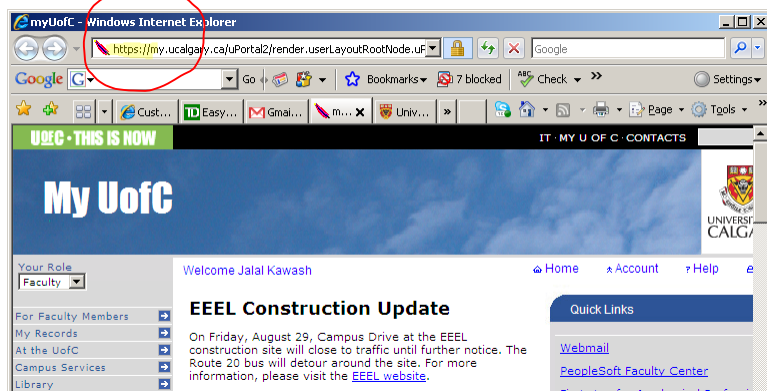
- Turned on by HTTPS
- Browser and server establish secure channel
- Browser authenticates server
 - Uses digital certificate



Secure Socket Layer (SSL)

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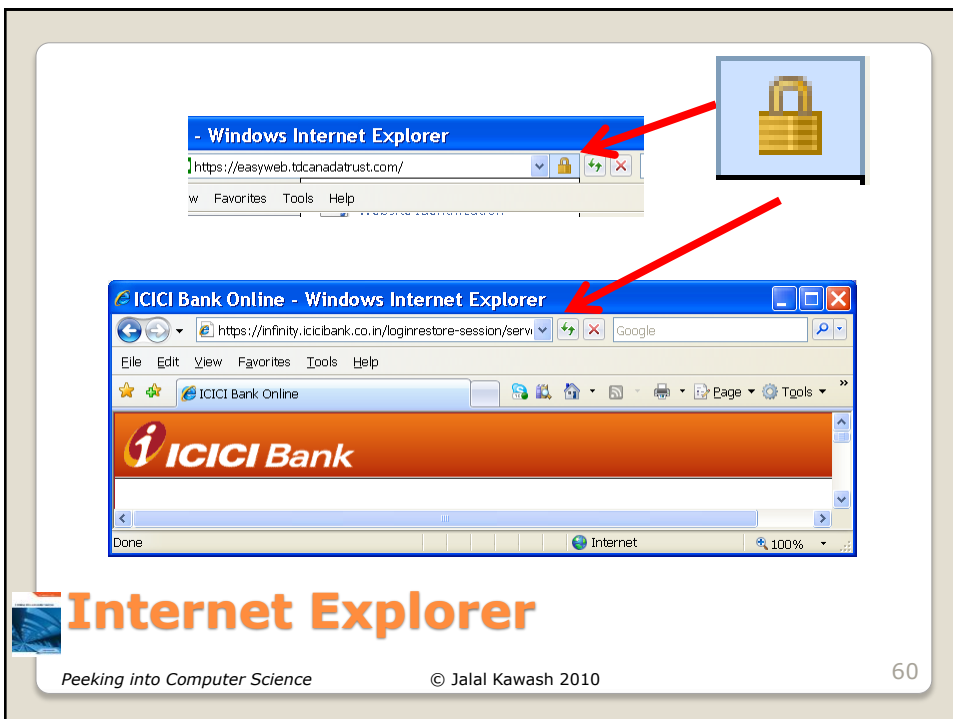
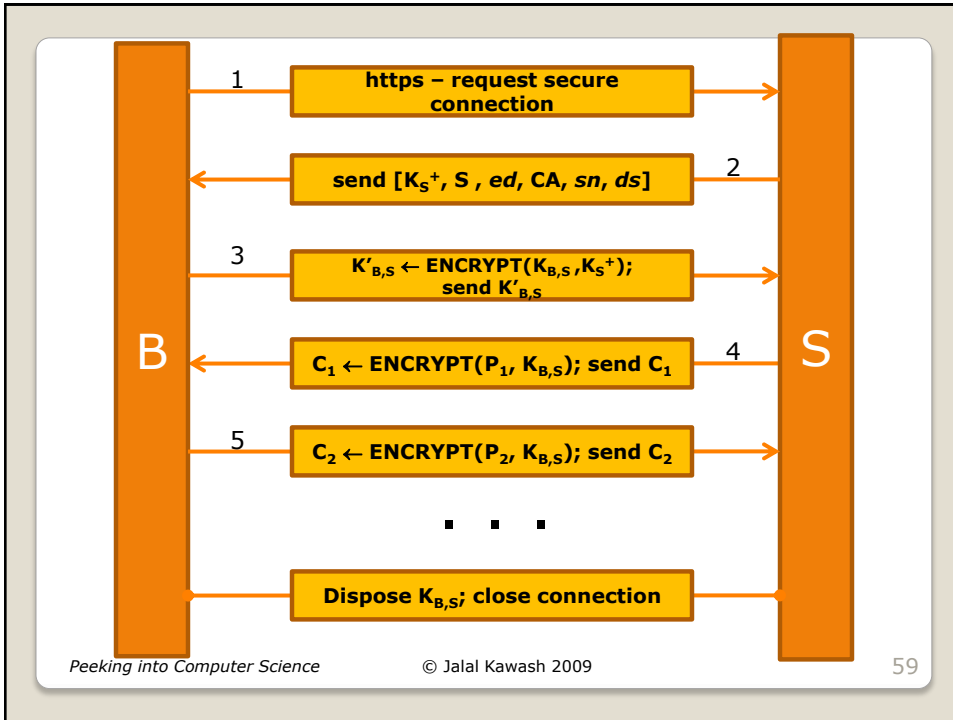
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HTTPS

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Access Card: 589297 - Description (Optional)

Remember my Access Card and Description

Web Password: (5-8 characters)

easyweb.tdcanadatrust.com

ICICI Bank Online - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

https://infinity.icicibank.co.in/loginrestore-session/ser

ICICI Bank

Done

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Firewalls
Protect your Computers

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- **Firewall:** a monitor program dedicated to “external” access control
- All communication in and out of the intranet (JT: local network) with the external world are inspected by the firewall
 - Unauthorized traffic is blocked



Firewalls

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- A firewall must be highly secure
- Firewalls are often implemented at two levels:
 1. Packet-filtering gateway
 - Firewall examines the FROM and TO fields in a packet’s header
 - Example: block access to an internal Web site
 2. Application-level gateway
 - Firewall examines the CONTENTS of messages
 - Example: filtering spam mail

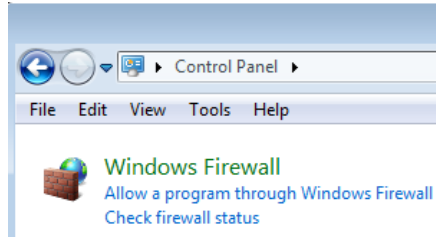


Firewalls

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- Firewalls may be included in hardware (built into network routers) or software



JT: Types Of Firewalls

- Firewalls can be used to customize ports
 - Ports that have been maliciously probed from the Internet may be disabled
 - For certain communications non-standard ports may be used instead e.g., UC-IT uses port 465 instead of 110 because many 'spam' programs send junk mail using #110.

JT: Firewalls (Practical Application)

- Example: "Shields up"
<https://www.grc.com/x/ne.dll?bh0bkyd2>

Your equipment at IP:

136.159.16.14

Is now being queried:



THE EQUIPMENT AT THE TARGET IP ADDRESS
ACTIVELY REJECTED OUR UPnP PROBES!

(That's good news!)

JT: Evaluating The Security Of Your Connection



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